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Mr. Allen Wojtas Contract Level Task Order Contracting Officer Representative U.S. EPA Region 5 77 West Jackson Blvd. (LP-7J) Chicago, IL 60604

Subject: <u>EPA Contract No. EP-W-12-031, Task Order 5542, Corrective Action Support for</u>

<u>ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor West, Task 04. Technical Review of the November 2015 Pre-Design Work Plan for the Former Coke Plant, ArcelorMittal Indiana</u>

Harbor West LLC, East Chicago, Indiana

Dear Mr. Wojtas:

In response to Task Order 5542 under EPA Contract No. EP-W-12-031, Task 04, Booz Allen Hamilton (Booz Allen) Booz Allen Hamilton (Booz Allen) has conducted a technical review of the November 2015 Pre-Design Work Plan (Work Plan) for the Former Coke Plant at the ArcelorMittal Indiana Harbor LLC West facility in East Chicago, Indiana. This Work Plan outlines a scope of work for addressing lingering data gaps in contaminant delineation and evaluation of potential remedial alternatives for soil, groundwater, and light nonaqueous phase liquids (LNAPL). Booz Allen's review focused on evaluating the technical adequacy of the plan and its responsiveness to related EPA comments previously provided on the Additional Site Investigation Report. Specific comments related to our review are provided in the attachment.

The Work Plan also includes an Expanded Screening Level Ecological Risk Assessment (Appendix B) and a Focused Human Health Risk Assessment (Appendix C). At the request of EPA, Booz Allen has not conducted a review of these components of the Work Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this deliverable, please contact me at (312) 827-7964 or Michele Benchouk at (215) 393-1233.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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